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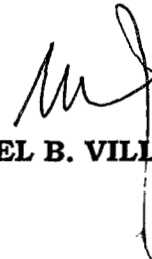
EXPLANATORY NOTE

Consequent to the right to quality education of citizens is the obligation of the State to protect and promote it.

However, some public elementary and secondary schools require students to contribute, donate or buy tickets before allowing enrollment. Such practice is in conflict with the constitutional guarantee of quality education for all citizens.

This measure intends to eradicate the said practice by some public schools to uphold the right of citizens to education.

In view of the foregoing, passage of this bill is earnestly sought.



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**AN ACT
PROHIBITING THE SALE OF TICKETS, COLLECTION OF CONTRIBUTIONS,
SOLICITATIONS IN ANY FORM, OR ANY SIMILAR FUND-RAISING ACTIVITY, IN
ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY PUBLIC SCHOOLS, AND PROVIDING
PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS THEREOF AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Philippines in Congress assembled:

SECTION 1. It shall be unlawful for any person or persons whether voluntary or otherwise, to sell tickets, collect contributions or solicit in any form or any similar fund-raising activity in public elementary and secondary schools as a requirement for enrollment.

SECTION 2. Any person who violates the provisions of this Act shall be punished by a fine of not less than Three thousand pesos (P3,000.00) nor more than Six thousand pesos (P6,000.00) or imprisonment of not less than three (3) months nor more than six (6) months, or both. If the offender is a public official, an additional penalty of suspension for three (3) months shall be imposed.

SECTION 3. The Secretary of the Department of Education shall issue the necessary guidelines to implement the provisions of this Act.

SECTION 4. All laws, decrees, executive orders, and other issuances inconsistent with this Act are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in 2 newspapers of general circulation.

Approved,